

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently amended) A carton for dispensing articles, comprising:

a plurality of panels defining a carton end defined at least by a bottom end flap and a side end flap disposed along an outside surface of said bottom end flap; and

a displaceable portion detachably connected to said carton end side end flap along a first weakened line to be at least partially detached from said carton to define an opening for exposing an endmost article in the carton for removal, said displaceable portion at least partially defined by a first weakened line in some of said panels, said opening defining an upper edge of said side end flap carton end being defined along said first weakened line when said displaceable portion is at least partially detached at least from said carton end side end flap along said first weakened line; and

said bottom end flap including a distal end a panel portion visually exposed to an exterior of said carton through said opening by at least partial detachment of said displaceable portion at least from said carton end side end flap, a said distal end of said panel portion bottom end flap extending upwardly beyond said upper edge and into said opening for restraining articles within said carton, said distal end is connected to a remainder of said panel portion bottom end flap along a second weakened line corresponding substantially with said upper edge of said carton end so as to be pivotable along said second weakened line.

2. (Currently amended) The carton of Claim 1 wherein said distal end of said panel portion bottom end flap is detachable along said second weakened line.

3. (Currently amended) The carton of Claim 2 wherein said distal end of said panel portion bottom end flap includes a graphic surface carrying promotional indicia thereon.

4. (Currently amended) The carton of Claim 3 wherein said distal end of said panel portion bottom end flap is a game piece.

5. (Currently amended) The carton of Claim 3 wherein said distal end of said panel portion bottom end flap is a voucher.

6. (Currently amended) The carton of Claim 1 wherein said panel portion is formed from an bottom end flap is hingedly connected to a bottom panel of the carton.

7. (Currently amended) The carton of Claim 1 wherein said bottom end flap panel portion is formed from a pair of secured major end-flaps hingedly connected respectively to a pair of secured bottom panels of the carton.

8. (Currently amended) A blank for earton formeding a carton from a single blank, said blank comprising:

a top panel;

a first and second side panels hingedly connected along a fold line to each opposing side edges of said top panel respectively;

a first bottom panel hingedly connected along a fold line to one of said first side panels at an edge thereof opposite said top panel, said top panel, said first and second side panels, and said bottom panel defining at least a portion of a tubular structure when said carton is set up;

a bottom end flap hingedly connected to an end edge of said bottom panel;

a first side end flap hingedly connected to an end edge of said first side panel adjacent to said bottom end flap, said bottom and first side end flaps together forming an end structure for at least partially closing oneeach of opposite ends of said tubular structure; and

a displaceable portion detachably connected to said earton first side end flap along a first weakened line so that to be when said carton is set up, said displaceable portion may be detached at least partially detached from said carton at least along said first weakened line to define an opening for exposing an endmost article in said carton for removal, said displaceable portion at least partially defined by a first weakened line in said carton, said opening defining an upper edge of said first side end flap being defined along said first weakened lineone of said end structures

when said displaceable portion is at least partially detached at least from said first side end flapcarton along said first weakened line; and

a-panel portionsaid bottom end flap comprising a distal end hingedly connected to a remainder of said bottom end flap along a second weakened line, said second weakened line being spaced from and substantially parallel to said end edge of said bottom panel such that within said interior obscured from view prior to said displaceable portion being at least partially detached from said carton, when said carton is set up, said first and second weakened lines correspond substantially with each other to allow said panel portion visually exposed to the exterior of said carton through said opening by at least partial detachment of said displaceable portion from said carton, a distal end of said panel portion to extending beyond said upper edge and into said opening for restraining articles within said carton, said distal end being connected to a remainder of said panel portion along a second weakened line corresponding substantially with said upper edge of said one end structure so as to be pivotable along said second weakened line.

9. (Currently amended) The blank carton of Claim 8 wherein said distal end of said bottom end flap panel portion is detachable along said second weakened line.

10. (Currently amended) The blank carton of Claim 9 wherein said distal end of said panel portion bottom end flap includes a graphic surface carrying promotional indicia thereon.

11. (Currently amended) The blank carton of Claim 10 wherein said distal end of said panel portion bottom end flap is a game piece.

12. (Currently amended) The blank carton of Claim 10 wherein said distal end of said panel portion bottom end flap is a voucher.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently amended) The blank carton of Claim 8 further comprising a second bottom panel hingedly connected along a fold line to said second the other side panel at an edge thereof opposite said top panel, said first and second bottom panels being secured together so that said tubular structure is formed by said top panel, said first and second side panels; and said first and second bottom panels, wherein said bottom end flap panel portion is formed from a pair of secured major end-flaps hingedly connected to said first and second bottom panels respectively.
15. (New) The carton of Claim 6 wherein said side end flap is hingedly connected to a first side panel of the carton, said first side panel being hingedly connected to said bottom panel.
16. (New) The carton of Claim 15 further comprising a second side panel and a top panel, wherein said carton end is further defined by a second side end flap disposed along said outside surface of said bottom end flap, said first weakened line extends into said second side end flap so that an upper edge of said second side end flap is defined along said first weakened line when said displaceable portion is detached at least from said first and second side end flaps along said first weakened line, and said upper edges of said first and second side end flaps are aligned with each other.